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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT
UNDER 37 CFR §1.115

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This responds to the Office Action of August 14, 2001 (Paper No. 6), response to which is due September 14, 2001. Applicants do not believe that a Petition for Extension of Time or fees are required. In the event this is not correct, applicants request such extension of time and authorize the Commissioner to charge the undersigned's account No.08-1641.

Applicants herewith elect the claims of Group II, claims 2-7, 9-11, 13 and 15, without traverse, for prosecution in this case. Applicants reserve the right to pursue non-elected subject matter in one or more divisional application.

Examination on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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